IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
MASAO WATANABE		:	Examiner: N.Y.A.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows, the changes to the specification appearing on page 2, and the Remarks on page 3.